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John Tolley, Planning Director State of Alaska Department of Transportation/Public Facilities P.O. Box 196900 Anchorage, AK 99519-6900

RE: 2006-2008 STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM LIST -- RECONSIDERATION/HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS, GIRDWOOD TO POTTER MARSH

Dear Mr. Tolley:

It is our understanding the proposed road improvements from Girdwood to Potter Marsh has been removed from the 2006-2008 Statewide Transportation Improvements Program (STIP) list. We believe the proposed four-lane divided highway is essential in providing a safer roadway to serve the population of the Kenai Peninsula as well as residents of Girdwood and travelers to Girdwood and the Peninsula from Anchorage and beyond.

As you are well aware, safe roads in Alaska is a must due to the range of weather and driving conditions that affect us all. We would appreciate the reinstatement of the four-lane highway road improvement from Girdwood to Potter Marsh on the 2006-2008 STIP list.

CITY OF KENAI

Pat Porter Mayor

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cc: Jeff Otteson, Deputy Commissioner, DOT/PF